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In re Patent Application of

Applicant:

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For:

INFORMATION SECURITY ARCHITECTURE FOR

ENCRYPTING DOCUMENTS FOR REMOTE ACCESS

WHILE MAINTAINING ACCESS CONTROL

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

In response to the Office Action dated August 2, 2000 (the Pending Action), setting forth a three-month statutory period for response that expires on November 2, 2000, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections set forth therein and allowance of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A method of controlling distribution of electronic information, comprising

[the steps of]:

retrieving, at a user location, a segment of encrypted electronic information; receiving, from a key server, [(a)] a copy of a decryption key for the segment, and [(b)] at least one user limitation assigned to the segment and associated with the

decryption key;

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